definitely to the jurisdiction of the Legislature under its existing powers. All that can be done is to place on record the opinion of this House leaving it to such constituted authorities as may have jurisdiction in the matter to exercise that jurisdiction, if they are so disposed, and to exercise it effectively. Therefore, in regard to the honourable member's request that this House should directly take notice of the alleged speech at the meeting by dealing with the speaker's pension or otherwise, I must rule that portion out of order, except to the extent that the honorable member is entitled to bring to the notice of the House the contempt that has been committed, and the breach of privilege of the House that has taken place.

The case is very different with regard to the journal in question. This Council and the Sri Mulam Assembly both extent certain courtesies and facilities to the members of journalistic profession; and the uniform rule in such cases is that, if members of journalistic profession misuse the facilities and privileges given to them by being guilty of disrespect to the House or commit any contempt or breach of privilege, those facilities and those conveniences may be withheld. There are other ways in which the displeasure of the House may be expressed. But before doing so, it is the elementary duty of this House to satisfy itself that the journal has been so guilty. Steps will be accordingly taken by the Secretary to call upon the Editor and Manager of the paper concerned to show cause why steps should not be taken against such paper by virtue of and in consequence of the breach of privilege, and contempt committed by that journal and brought to the notice of the House.

Bills assented to by His Highness the Maharaja.

The Secretary to the Council then reported that the following bills had received the assent of His Highness the Maharaja:—

1. The Travancore Public Accounts Regulation Amendment Bill.
2. The Travancore Criminal Law Amendment Bill.
3. The Travancore Hindu Widows Remarriage Bill.
4. The Travancore Trade Dispute Bill.
5. The Travancore Abkari Regulation Amendment Bill.
6. The Travancore Irrigation Regulation Amendment Bill.
7. The Travancore Factories Bill.
8. The Travancore Companies Bill.

PANEL OF CHAIRMEN.

President: Under Rule 3 (1) of the Travancore Legislative Rules, I have nominated Mr. Kottur Kunjukrishna Pillai and Mr. M. Govindan to form the panel of chairmen for the current session of the Council.

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